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I am not speaking on behalf of Purdue University. However as the IT manager for the Purdue University School of Education I have found Microsoft to be a friend of Education. Microsoft has been a friend to Education for many years even while other companies which have a reputation for being education friendly have taken advantage of Education over-priced their products and given Education little or nothing. Unlike other companies that have been hostile towards education and ignorant of our needs Microsoft has delivered quality products for cheap and in many cases for FREE! This long-term commitment demonstrates to me that Microsoft cares for students and educators. The fact that the vast majority of our students *prefer* Microsoft products to other products and operating systems demonstrates this. I urge you to allow the settlement and resolution of the Microsoft case. Please allow what I consider to be one of our country's National Treasures the freedom to continue supporting and inspiring the work of Education. Thank you and best wishes. --Robert Evans